

REMARKS

Claims 11, 16 and 17 are all the claims pending in the application. Claim 17 is added by way of this Amendment.

Applicant submits herewith a Request for Interview to discuss the indefiniteness rejections of the pending claims. The proposed date for interview is January 23, 2007. However, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact Applicant's representative to confirm that this date is acceptable, or to reach a mutually agreed upon date and time.

Claims 11 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. Applicant respectfully submits the originally filed specification explains that the writing process may have a higher priority than any other task (see page 22, lines 3-5), and thus, may include the reading and printing processes in addition to the generating process. Also, when more than one page is included in a print job, a request for printing a first page may be generated but the writing processes to HDD for the following pages are still unprocessed.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited.

Also, as noted above, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below to resolve any remaining issues during an interview.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)
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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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